

Church of Our Saviour Bulletin

The English Speaking International Roman Catholic Parish of The Hague

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(under the name 'Church of Our Saviour')

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Eucharistic Schedule:

Weekends at the church:
Sunday: 10.00, 17.30

Weekdays in the chapel:
Friday 09.30

Reconciliation:

Sunday 16.30-17.00 or by appointment
Religious Education 11.30-12.15, Pastoral Center



First Sunday of Lent

Psalm Response:

10 March: "Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble."

Readings

10 March: DT 26:4-10, PS 91: 1-2,10-15, ROM 10:8-13, LK 4:1-13

Please check this week's agenda on the parish agenda of our website.

LENTEN CAMPAIGN 2019

The project this year focuses on single mothers with HIV/AIDS a job and a means to sustain their families, as well as providing the medication needed to control the effects of the disease. Craft items made by these mothers will be sold to pay their salaries, so that they in turn can pay their monthly expenses.

- 1 month of salary = € 250
- 1 month of medicine = € 35
- 1 month of school fees for a child = € 50
- 1 month of food for mother and child = € 80
- 1 month of hospice for terminal patients = € 50
- 1 month of rent for a room = € 70
- 1 month of transport for a mother and child = € 60

BIBLE STUDY DURING LENT

One of our parishioners **Javed Masih**, received his Master of Theology in Amsterdam. He agreed to organize a series of bible studies during Lent. The course is called, "Rejoice and Be Glad", based on Pope Francis' encyclical of the same name.

- **11 March:** The Call to Holiness
- **18 March:** Two Subtle Enemies of Holiness
- **25 March:** In the Light of the Master
- **01 April:** Signs of Holiness in Today's World
- **08 April:** Spiritual Combat, Vigilance and Discernment

The cost for the course is €35 for the entire series, or €7.50 per night. This includes coffee/tea. The evenings go from 19.00 to 20.30 in the COS Loft. Please send an email to the Parish Office at office@parish.nl to register for the course.

PRAYER FOR OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Each of our 18 Confirmation candidates have hand-painted several small prayer crosses -- Please take a cross home to remind you to pray for us throughout Lent and Easter as we prepare for Confirmation on Ascension Thursday. We will be at a table in the side gallery of the church for both masses on Sunday, 10 March to distribute these crosses. Your prayers and support are greatly appreciated!

– **Confirmation 2019 Group**

DEAR VOLUNTEERS OF COS HAND IN HAND REFUGEE PROJECT

Our next Soul Kitchen is already scheduled for 16 March which will feature East African food prepared by members of our parish. Each gathering is unique and great fun. We especially need help in the areas of: helping to set up the Atrium, serving the food, and tidying up at the end. Please sign up with me as soon as you can! Thank you, **Saki Lee**, Volunteer Coordinator, **WhatsApp 065 534 2134/ Email: sakilee@gmail.com** **Blessings, Saki**

BAPTISM OPPORTUNITY DATES

Baptisms are not normally held during the Lenten Season (6 March-21 April), except in emergency cases. The baptism opportunity dates between now and Easter are: **17 March at 12.00** (Exception due to St. Patrick's Day) and **22 April, Easter Monday at 11.00**. Contact the Parish Office at **office@parish.nl** for more info and registration.



COS SPECIAL DATES & EVENTS

- 09 March – Women's Reflection Day
- 09 March – The Parents Choir Brussels in Concert
- 10 March – First Sunday of Lent
- 10 March – Official Presentation of Glass Panel in Day Chapel



WEDDING PLANS? MOST WELCOME!

Couples intending to get married are welcome to complete their paperwork and preparations in our parish. Once these papers are approved by the diocese, they are valid worldwide. Please get in touch with our Parish Office six months prior to the event to begin the process. We will need a recent copy of your Baptism Certificate. In case of an interreligious marriage (with a partner from another denomination or a non-baptised person), a dispensation is required which takes a bit more time. For more information, please contact the Parish Office at **office@parish.nl**. Congratulations to **Koen RIJSBERGEN & Maria Paula NARANJO** for celebrating their nuptials on 7 March. Please continue to pray for the following couples:

09-03 **Alberto Rius VIDALES & Beatriz Mayans HERMIDA**
13-04 **Juan CIFUENTES & Beatriz MARRON**
27-04 **Erik KOENDERS & Stephanie LEVEL**

Querataro, Mexico
Madrid, Spain
Bornival, Belgium

OFFICIAL PRESENTATION OF GLASS PANEL

A family who lost their house and loved ones during the accidental bombing of Bezuidenhout on 3 March 1945 has donated an illuminated panel to commemorate the event. This glass window has been installed in our Day Chapel and will be officially presented to us on 10 March.



If you would like to sponsor the **ALTAR FLOWERS** for any special occasion (in memoriam, wedding anniversary, birthday) or just in thanksgiving for your many blessings, please contact **Cheryl Carr** at **carrbark@bart.nl**.

NON-PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please note – adverts are placed in this section as a service to our parishioners or to let people know of activities in the region that might be of interest. They are NOT an endorsement of people offering services, organizations mentioned, or goods or accommodations being offered.)

URGENTLY LOOKING FOR A ROOM TO LIVE

Dutch woman with a staying permit, originally from Iran. Speaks fluent English. Reference: Deacon Paul Falke. Please send an email to the parish office. Thank you.

LOOKING FOR A STUDENT APARTMENT

My name is Dawit Amanuel Goitom. I am a refugee from Eritrea and I have been living in The Netherlands for almost four years. Presently I study European and International law at the Haagse Hogeschool. Because the building that I live in is going to be demolished, I am looking for a room as from September. Preferably in (the centre of) The Hague or in the vicinity of the Hogeschool. Possibly with own bathroom and toilet. I can be contacted on 06-335.623.93 or **dawitmanuel1@gmail.com**.